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### TWENTY-FIFTH SESSION

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RELD WITH THE

manville Street Baptist Church at Halifax, Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday, June 26th, 28th and 29th, 1875.

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### GRANVILLE STREET CHURCH, Saturday Morning, June 26th, 1875,

The Nova Scotia Central Baptist Association convened this day with the Granville Street Church, at 10 o'clock, a.m.

The Moderator of last year, Rev. E. M. Saunders, called the association to order. After singing, prayer was offered by Rev. E. Govcher.

The following is the

#### LIST OF DELEGATES.

Aylesford Upper.-Rev. J. I. Read.

Bridgewater. - Rev. Edward Roberts, W. J. Gates.

Cambridge.—Brother A. Whitman.

Chester .- Rev. I. J.Skinner, Dr. G. O. DeWitt.

Conwallis 1st.—(Canard) Brethren J. T. Eaton, (Lic.) Benj. Eaton, Wm.

Comwallis 2nd.—(Berwick) Rev. Isa. Waliace, Dea. John Lynch, Brother Iward Parker, E. B. Bolsor.

(bravallis 8rd.—(Biltown) Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, Brethren James Bligh, ac N. Foot.

Comwallis 4th .- (Green wick) Rev. J. L. Read.

Cornwallis 5th .- (Pereaux) Rev. D. Freeman.

Cornwallis 6th.—(Canning) Rev. S. J. Neiley, Deacon Harris North.

Dartmoutk.—Rev. A. S. Hunt. Brethren J. W. Johnston, J. T. Vincent.

Ellershouse.—Brother Jacob Miller.

Fall River .- Bro. John Crawley.

Halifax 1st.—(Granville Street) Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev John Miller, acon Alexander Robinson, Brethren R. M. Kirg, John W. Rhuland, B. H.

Halifax 2nd.—(North Church) Rev. Prof. D. M. Welton, Deacons Judge Cully, D. Thompson, Brethren A. W. Clark, Wm. Robertson, John W.

lammonds Plains 1st.—Rev. Dr. E. Clay, Brethren Charles Thompson, istopher Haverstock.

Hammonds Plains 2nd .- Rev. W. Lucas.

Inntsport.—Rev. J. C. Bleakney, Deacon Harris Reid, Rev. R. R. Philp, ther W. A. Porter.

forton 1st.—(Wolfville) Rev. S. W DeBlois, Deacon J. W. Barss, Rev. Cramp, Rev. Dr. Sawyer, Prof. D. F. Higgins.

forton 2nd.—(Garperaux) Rev. E. O. Read, Brother A. Caldwell.

forton 3rd.—(New Minas) Brother J. L. Neary.

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allave.-Rev. A. Cogswell.

Margaret's Bay.—Rev. W. E. Hall, Deacon F. Hubley, Brother E. Hubley, Margaret's Bay 2nd.—Rev. W. E. Hall, James Hubley, Ephraim Hubley, Charles Webber.

Musquodoboit.-Deacon F. Layton, Brother Joseph Wallace.

New Cornwall.—Rev. John Williams, Brother Caleb Spidle (Lic.)

New Germany.—Deacon George Barss, Brother Joseph Crandall.

Newport...—Rev. A. E. Ingram, Deacon Noah Dimock, Brother Jung Walley.

North West Lunenbury.—Rev. J. Williams, Deacons Langille, Joseph Ha Brother H. E. S. Maider.

Preston 1st .- Brother John W. Rhuland.

Preston 2nd .- Brother John W Rhuland.

Pleasantville .- Rev. E. Roberts.

Rawdon .- Deacon William Phalen.

Sackville.-Deacon F. Webber.

Tancook.-Rev. T. C. Delong.

Windsor.—Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Deacon M. Curry, Bro. J. M. Martin.

Delegates from Western Association.—Revs. A. Cohoon, W. H. Wam
W. B. Bradshaw.

Delegate from Eastern Association .- Rev. D. A. Steele.

The following brethren were invited to sit with the Association-R. N. Beckwith, J. G. Schurman, Rev. Joseph Murray, J. Reddin, Rev. J. Wheaton Smith, D. D., S. Selden, Hans Mil W. A. C. Randall, M. D., E. C. Banks, Rev. J. E. Goucher, R. S. March, Wm. Cummings, Rev. J. F. Avery, Rev. R. D. Burge John King, J. Parsons, Rev. L. M. Weeks, Rev. Joseph Skins

The ballot being taken, the Rev. S. W. DeBlois was elect Moderator and entered upon the duties of his office; B. H. Est and A. J. Stevens were chosen Secretaries; R. N. Beckwill Treasurer; R. W. Clarke, Assistant Treasurer; J. W. Bar Auditor.

The following Committees were appointed :-

TO EXAMINE LETTERS.—Revds. Dr. Cramp, J. C. Bleakney and Skinner.

TO READ LETTERS.—Revds. Wm. E. Hall, Prof. Welton and Isa Walls
On Arrangements.—Revds. E. M. Saunders and A. S. Hunt, Breth
S. Selden, J. W. Ruhland, Deacon David Thomson and John Miller, B
Judge McCully.

ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.—Revds. Dr. Sawyer, Dr. Cramp, J. Bleakney, I. J. Skinner, J. L. Reid, E. O. Reid, Brethren Francis Web and William Cummings.

Letters from the churches were read.

The Committee on Arrangements reported in part as follows:

Granville St. Baptist Church-11 a. m., Rev. J. M. Cramp. D. D.; 7p. Rev. A. Cohoon.

North Baptist Church—11 a. m., Rev. J. L. Read; 7 p. m., Rev. W. E. I. Gerrish Hall—11 a. m., Rev. D. Freeman; 7 p. m., Rev. J. C. Bleaks, Dartmouth Baptist—11 a. m., Rev. J. W. Bancroft; 7 p. m., Brother Jo Eaton, Licentiate.

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Fort Massey Presbyterian-11 a. m., Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D. D.; 7 p. m., ov. J. Clark.

Chalmers Presbyterian -- 11 a. m., Rev. E. G. Read.

Salem Congregational—11 a.m., Rev. R. R. Philp; 7 p.m., Rev. I. J. Skinner-Grafton St. Wesleyan Church—11 a.m., Rev. D. M. Welton.

Dartmouth Presbyterian Church—11, a. m., Rev. W. H. Warren; 7 p. m., ev. D. A. Steele.

African Baptist Church—11 a. m., Rev. I. Wallace; 3 a. m., Rev. J. resdows; 7 p. m., Rev. J. Williams.

Mission House-4.30 p. m., Rev. I. Wallace.

Cemetery Gate-1 p. m., Rev. W. E. Hall.

Hammonds Plains-11 a. m. and 3 p. m., Rev. Jos. Murray.

Sackville-11 a. m. and 3 p. m., Rev. W. B. Bradshaw.

Richmond Presbyterian Church—II a. m., Brother A. J. Stevens; 3 p. m., other R. D. Burgess.

Poplar Grove Presbyterian CF o-p. m., Rev. D. M. Welton.

Infants Home-Rev. T. C. Deloug.

Penitentiary-Bro. Wm. Cummings.

Brookfield-Bro. C. Spidle.

Report adopted.

Resolved, That there be prayer-meeting each morning at 6.30; that the ming Sitting begin at 10, and close at 12.30; Afternoon Sitting to com230, and close at 5.30. The Evening Sitting to begin at 7.30.

A letter from the Halifax Young Men's Christian Association s read, inviting members of this Association to the free use of the sociation Rooms; and the Secretary was directed to accept the vitation with thanks.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. C. Bleakney.

### SATURDAY-Afternoon Session.

Meeting opened at 2.30 o'clock. Prayer by Rev. R. D. Burgess. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The following brethren were invited to sit with the Association: Rev. James Thomas, Deacons Edwin King, P. Crowe, and Bro. orge Richardson.

Additional letters from the Churches were read.

knowed, that Bro. Selden be requested to print 1,250 copies of the nutes, reserving 50 copies for the use of the next meeting of the Association knowed. That the Home Mission Union be permitted to publish their ort with the Minutes of the Association.

descluded, That a Committee be appointed to prepare a revised list of the disters of this Association for publication in the Minutes.

Committee.—Prof. D. F. Higgins, Rev W. E. Hall.

colved, That Brethren B. H. Eaton, J. Parsons, and S. Selden, be a mittee to Superintend the publication of the Minutes.

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Ended, That Bro. J. W. Johnston, Hon. Judge McCully, Deacons E. D.

E. J. W. Barss, and James Bligh, be our delegates to the Convention.

Resolved, That Revds. Isa Wallace, J. L. Reid, R. R. Philp, Jas. Bancrof, and I. J. Skinner and Dea. S. Selden, be our delegates to the Western Association.

Resolved, That Bro. Prof. Welton, S. Selden, and Rev. M. P. Freeman be appointed to the P. E. Island Association.

Resolved, That any Ministering Brethren attending other Associations be one delegates thereto.

Resolved, That the Board of Infirm Ministers be located at Wolfville, and that Rev. S. W. DeBlois, Prof. D. F. Higgins, Rev. S. B. Kempton, Rev. E. O. Read, Dea. J. W. Barss, and Bro. Jas. S. Morse compose the Board.

The Committee on Arrangement submitted a further report which after amendment, was adopted as follows:—

That all Committees meet at 9 o'clock, a.m. That the Association sermon be preached at 10 o'clock, a.m., on Monday.

That the Circular Letter be read immediately after the Sermon That the afternoon of Monday be given to hearing Reports of

Committees.

That a Public Missionary Meeting be held on Monday evening

CIRCULAR LETTER.—Revds. D. Freeman D. W. C. Dimock, and Pm D. F. Higgins.

DENOMINATIONAL LITERATURE,—Revds. I. J. Skinner, J. C. Bleakne, Dea. D. Thompson, Rev. James Meadows, Brethren William Eaton, Edwar Parker, Dr. Randall, and Rev. W. H. Warren.

Benevolent Funds.—Rev. Wm. Hall, Bro. W. A. Porter, Rev. S. Neiley.

EDUCATION,—Revds. J. M. Cramp, D.D., S. March, Bro. John W. Bar Rev. A. Cohoon, Brethren John King, J. W. Johnston, Rev. A. S. Hua E. C. Bowles, Rev. Dr. Sawyer, Bro. A. Coldwell.

Missions.—Revds. I. Wallace, E. O. Read, Bro. Joshua Eaton, (Lie F. Webber, Rev. A. E. Ingram, Rev. Edwin Clay, M.D., Rev. T. C. Delon Rev. R. D. Burgess, Rev. John Williams.

OBITUARIES.—Revds. Prof. Welton, and J. L. Read, Dea. A. Robinson-Revds. W. Lucas, D. W. C. Dimock.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.—Dea. E. D. King, Bro. J. Parsons, Rev. J. F. Aver Bro. R. M. King, Dea. John Lynch, Brethren E. B. Bolsor, M. Curry, W. Cummings, W. A. Porter.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.—Revds. Joseph Murray, J. E. Goucher, Jam Bancroft, Brethren J. T. Vincent, Harris North and Dea. P. Crowe.

A short time was spent in devotional exercises.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to draft a resolution expressive ratitude to Almighty God in remembrance of our mercies during the page 5 years of the existence of this Association.

Committee, S. Selden, T. C. Delong, D. W. C. Dimock, Houdge McCully, Dr. Cramp.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev D. Freeman, to Monday mong at 10 o'clock.

### MONDAY MORNING, June 28th.

Upon re-assembling the Association engaged in prayer and prais The Association Sermon was preached by the Moderator, Ro W. DeBlois, from Psalm lxxx. 17, "The Son of man who

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7, June 28th, orayer and prais Moderator, Re on of man who Business resumed. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. The Committee on Circular Letter reported, recommending that the letter be read. The writer of the letter being absent, it was read by the Secretary.

Resolved, That it be adopted and printed in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Moderator be requested to furnish his Sermon for publication in the Messenger.

Additional letters from the Churches were read.

The Committee on Benevolent Funds presented their Report which, after addresses by Revds. T. C. Delong, Isz. Wallace, J. Murray, and D. Freeman, J. W. Barss, and Rev. W. E. Hall, was adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Resolved, That the Association be held next year with the Hantsport Church from whom an invitation was received last year.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. Meadows.

#### MONDAY-Afternoon Session.

Opened with prayer by Rev. S. March.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Committee on Sabbath observance presented their Report, which, on motion was adopted. (See Appendix B.)

The Committee on Missions presented their report. (See Ap. C.) A resolution was moved by Rev. E. M. Saunders, relating to the appointment of committees for next year, and directed to be laid to the table for further action.

Addresses were delivered by Rev. A. Cohoon, J. W. Barss, Hon. Judge McCully, Rev. Isa. Wallace, Rev. W. H. Warren and Rev. Joseph Murray.

Hon. Dr. Parker, Rev. E. N. Archibald and Bro. John Crawley were invited to a seat with the Association.

The Committee on Questions in Letters presented their report which, on motion, was received to be discussed clause by clause.

Resolved, That the first clause be adopted.

On motion, and after addresses by Brother J. W. Johnston, Rev. Dr. Sawyer, Rev. A. S. Hunt, Rev. S. J. Neily, Rev. Isa Wallace, J. W. Barss, Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev. J. F. Avery, D. Freeman, Hop. Dr. Parker, Rev. A. Cohoon, the 2nd clause of the report passed.

Resolved, That the third clause, recommending the reception of the Pleasantville Church into the Association, passed.

Resolved, That the Report be adopted as a whole. (See Appendix D.)

The Letter from the Pleasantville Church was read.

Rev. E. Roberts received, from the Moderator, the right hand of fellowship on behalf of the Church.

Resolved That the North Church, and the Brethren worshiping in Gerrish Iall, be recommended to call a Mutual Council for the adjustment of their ifferences, if they shall not be able of themselves to render the aid of a buncil unnecessary.

Resolved, That the Association hereby express their heartfelt sympathy for our beloved brethren, the Revds. James Parker and Robert S. Morton, now laid aside by bodily afflictions, from their chosen work, and that while we bow in submission to the mysterious diepensations of Divine Providence that deprives us of the presence of these Brethren in our councils and labors, we wish to assure our estremed brethren that we remember them in our prayers and affectionate regards.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Isa. Wallace.

### MONDAY-Evening Session.

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This session was wholly given to prayer and praise, and addresses

on the subject of Missions. The congregation was large.

The Moderator spoke briefly of the duty of preaching the Gospel to all nations, and held that the more our Churches labored to give the Gospel to foreign nations the more were they blessed in their labors at home.

Rev. Isa. Wallace gave a brief account of what our Home Mission Union had accomplished in the fostering of feeble Churches. At Annapolis Royal the Church had been greatly built up and strengthened. To the Church in the town of Shelburne and a cluster of weak Churches in that county, they had given great assistance. At Kentville and Digby very much had been done to assist the feeble Churches existing there. The Union had accomplished much, but there was yet abundance of work to be done. At Lunenburg, at Baddeck, all along our Atlantic coast, in Cape Breton, in P. E. Island, the fields were white to the harvest. Wherefore should we so labor to spread the Gospel? For our Saviour's sake, and for the sake of humanity. Loyalty to Jesus, loyalty to truth compelled us to labor to the utmost of our strength.

A collection was then taken for Home Missions.

Rev. W. E. Hall followed on the same subject, giving the fruits of a large experience among scattered and destitute Churches, and pleading earnestly on their behalf, contending we should not only give of our means, but should not hesitate to send our Pastors out these Churches.

Deacon John Benoit, of H. M. S. "Sea Gull," now at this port, whose duties had called him to many parts of the world, recounted several incidents of his experience; contrasted the happy condition of countries having Christianity with the deplorable state of those still without the Gospel; and arged the duty of every christian (and every christian is a Missionary) to do all in his power to give the Gospel to all nations.

Bro. Benoit was, on motion, invited to a seat with the Association. Rev. D. Freeman spoke of French Missions as the connecting link between our Foreign and Home Missions. Our French population had strong and peculiar claims upon us on many grounds. They were among us, and were the former possessors of our Province. We owe much to them—a good measure of success has crowned

the labors of our French Missionaries.

rtfelt sympathy bert S. Morton , and that while vine Providence meils and labors. ber them in our

Rev. W. H. Warren spoke of the methods of raising funds for benevolent objects, and while he urged more frequent and systematic giving, he claimed that after all, system was of less importance than the benevolent disposition; almost any system would work well if the people had a mind to give.

Rev. John Clarke spoke chiefly of Foreign Mission work, elo-

mently urging the duty of giving the Gospel to all nations.

### TUESDAY MORNING. June 29th.

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Minutes of two last meetings read and approved. The Committee on obituaries presented their report which, on

Meeting opened with prayer by Rev. S. March.

otion, was adopted. [See Appendix E.]

The following resolution was moved by Rev. Dr. Cramp and conded by Hon. Dr. Parker, and discussed by them, and by J. W. Barss, Hon. Judge McCully and Rev. T. C. Delong, and passed.

That this Association, composed of the Baptist Churches of the counties of mifax, Kings, Hants, and Lunenburg, regard the present distribution of notincial money among the different Colleges in Nova Scotia as in-

itable, unjust, and disproportionate, and

Therefore Resolved that they recommend the people of the Churches of this sociation, to present to the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, their next session, petitions, as largely signed as practicable, praying for such readjustment of the present distribution of Provincial moneys among our olleges as may be fair and equitable to all the denominations concerned.

Rev. D. Freeman handed in \$10 contributed by Dr. Wickwire wards the salary of the Theological Professor.

The Committee appointed last year to facilitate business, presenttheir report.

Resolved, That it be discussed clause by clause.

Motion having been made to adopt the first clause, it was moved dearried in amendment that we proceed to the business appointed this session.

The Committee on Education then presented their report which er brief addresses by Prof. Welton and Judge McCully passed.

ee Appendix F.]

After some consideration it was resolved to hold a public Educanal meeting this evening.

The Committee on Arrangements presented a further report as ows :--

The Committee further recommend that the Rev. J. W. Manning ach the next Associational Sermon, and that the Rev. James acrost be his alternate—that the Rev. Dr. Cramp write the Circonnecting link ar Letter-and that Dr. Margeson, W. A. Porter, and Rev. C. Bleakney, be a committee to secure reduction of fares on the way for those attending the next Association. Report adopted. The Treasurer of the Association submitted a statement of moneys eived by him.

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The Committee on Sabbath Schools presented their Report by their Chairman, Deacon E. D. King, who gave an earnest and able address on Sunday School work. Report adopted. [See App. H.]

The Committee on Arrangements further reported that Rev. Dr. Sawyer, Hon. Judge McCully, Hon. Dr. Parker, Professor D. F. Higgins and D. M. Welton, and Rev. Dr. Cramp, would address the meeting this evening.

The following resolution was moved by Bro. J. Parsons and passed:—

Resolved, That this Association record, with thanksgiving, the steady progress of the important christian virtue of Temperance—that now few, if are, of the Churches of our denomination will receive or retain in their communion any member who persists in dealing in intoxicating liquors, or who persists in using such liquors as a beverage—that it is incumbent upon every christian not only to be law-abiding himself, but to use every endeave to aid in the enforcement of righteous laws; and that the illicit liquor se ling in consideration of the utterly demoralizing effect of the traffic, should be reprobated and put down by the combined effort of christians and right thinking people.

On motion it was resolved, That the cordial thanks of this Association bereby given to the members of the Granville Street Church and congregation, and our other Baptist brethren and friends in Hallfax, for their hosp tality and kindness to us during this Session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association be conveyed to the Railwa authorities for reduction of fares to delegates.

The Committee appointed at the Saturday afternoon session to draft a resolution in review of the past twenty-five years, presente their report which, on motion, was adopted as follows:—

Seeing it is now twenty-five years since this Association was formed by division of the one Nova Scotia Baptist Association, in 1850, after a quart of a century of blessing experienced by the churches of which it is composed it becomes us at this time to call to round the abundant favors bestowed up the churches of this Association during that period, and the loud call the make upon us for devout gratitude to Almighty God. On our part de humility should be felt that we have not done our work more efficiently the vineyard of our Lord and Master, Here would we erect our Ebenzand say, "Hitherto the Lord hath helped us." Amid all the changes life and ravages of death not only have there been continued accessions our numbers, to fill the places of the departed; but a growth has been seed so that during those years our numbers have been doubled. In enterion the fourth quarter of a century as Associated Baptists in this Province we would cherish the hope that a much larger ingathering of souls will seen in the coming twenty-five years than has been witnessed in either the preceding quarters of a century.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Bancroft, and singing the Doxology and the Benediction, to meet with the Hantspu Church on the Saturday following the 20th June, 1876.

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### Ministers in the Central Association.

Name.	Present Residence.	Date of Ordination.	Place of Ordination.
Rev. Avery, J. F	Halifax	Oct. 20, 1870	Towstock, G. B.
" Bancroft, Jeremiah	Walton	March 1849	Rawdon.
" Bancroft, J. W., A. B	. Windsor	April 17, 1875	Windsor.
" Bleakney, J. C	Hantsport	Febry, 1868	Richmond, N. B.
" Chase, John	Wolfville	July 1, 1835	Billtown,
" Clay, Edw., M. D	Halifax		Pugwash.
" Cramp, J. M., D. D.,	. Wolfville	May 7, 1818	London, G. B.
" Crawley, E. A., D. D.	. Wolfville	May 28, 1830	Providence, R. I.
" DeBlois, S. W., A. M	Wolfville	Feb. 26, 1854	Chester.
6 Dimock, D. W.C., A. M	. Billtown	Dec. 6, 1841	Chester.
" Delong, T. C.	. Tancook	1836	New Albany.
" Freeman, D., A. M	. Canning	August 1, 1855	
" Hall Wm E	Black Pt, Halifax Co.	Sent. 93 1864	New Germany.
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#### STRIVING TOGETHER FOR THE FAITH.

THE CIRCULAR LETTER OF THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL BAPTIST ASSOCIATION TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CHURCHES OF WHICH IT IS COMPOSED.

Beloved Brethren,-

After much anxiety and prayful consideration, coupled with a strong desire to serve you in the spirit of christian meekness, we present for your consideration a few thoughts upon the important duty of striving together for the faith of the Gospel. As the old serpent entered the sacred enclosure where God placed the happy couple he had made in his own image, and drew them into the snare of disobedience, bringing down upon them the rod of Gods' displeasure, under which all their posterity have been called to pass, so does he still go about seeking whom he may devour, boldly practising his enchantments even in the House of God. If it be not so, what is the meaning of all the ritualistic display of the present time? the outward trappings and adornings substituted for the lowly and spiritual worship of God, who is a Spirit, and seeketh such to worship him as worship him in spirit and in truth? Let us not be deceived, saith the Apostle Paul, "God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth that shall be also reap, for he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

The tempter bred discontent in the mind of the woman by saying unto her concerning the forbidden fruit, "God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof then your eyes shall be opened and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil." It we mistake not the signs of the times he is still playing at his old game, striving hard we turn away the servants of Christ from the path of obedience by the promise of exaltation. In too many cases succeeding in his work of destruction, drawing men away from the feet of Christ we walk in a vain show. Alas, alas, for poor weak man, what a mighty current of evil influences is continually coming down upon him, threatening to overwhelm and destroy him soul and body.

Infidelity is stalking through the earth, trampling beneath is feet the precious name of Jesus. Romanism, with its poup and show, its boast of infalibility, is stoutly contending for the ascendancy. Spiritualism is pouring its contempt upon all who abide by the lively oracles of God. Universalism comes shutting down the gates of perdition, and opening the portals of Heaven alike to the servants of God and the servants of Satan. While worldly conformity is everywhere exerting its influence among christians aiming at the destruction of all vital godliness. If these statements are

truthful, and we feel assured that they are, ought not the friends of humanity to be on the alert, striving together for the faith of the Gospel?

If we turn our eyes to the word of God it speaks to us in plain and positive language, it lays upon us its hely commandments, leaving no hope of salvation, for ourselves or others, but in obedience to the Divine Will, by the full and faithful presentation of the Gospel to our fellow men.

Faithfulness to God, in this respect, involves the necessity of a clear understanding of the plan of salvation laid down in the Bible. It is useless for us to attempt to teach others until we have been taught ourselves, therefore a careful and prayerful study of God's word is the indispensable duty of all who would be lights in the world, to aid their fellow men in finding the way to happiness. From this divine armory Paul selected weapons of his warfare, which he found to be mighty through God to the pulling down of stongholds. It was Martin Luther's skill in the use of the sword of the Spirit that gave him such power against Popery, and success in serving the cause of truth. Let us therefore, brethren, seek to have the words of Bible-truth deeply graven on the tablets of our memory, that when or wherever called upon to act in its defence, we may be found ready to go forth with bow in hand and our arrows hanging at the girdle of truth.

It is also important, in laboring for the advancement of truth, that we should have our minds deeply impressed with a sense of its value. It is the only thing upon which the soul of man can lead for support in its longing for immortality.

"E'en here, we taste the bliss Of an eternal home."

Nor is this all. When we contemplate the change wrought in the moral condition of mankind wherever the gospel has been heartily received and obeyed, we are astonished that it should have one memy in the civilized world. The wilderness and the solitary blace have been made glad by it, and the desert to bud and blossom s the rose. Its attendants praise it; it makes the poor man rich a faith pouring in a flood of light upon the midnight darkness of he human understanding, chasing away the night of ignorance and aperstition, and elevating man to the worship of the living God. what shall we say, brethren, of the men who, if they had the ower, would banish this Gospel from the earth: That they are the riends of their fellow men? We dare not, for they stand opposed the foundation of all true happiness. Nor do we think those less ensurable who give to the world a mutilated Gospel cumbered with be inventions of men. The early Church was composed of baptized elievers. Against all others the doors of the Church were carefully narded.

When the Eunuch asked for baptism, Philip demanded faith of mas a pre-requisite. Nor can it be shown that the New Testaent admits of any departure from this example. From whence

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then comes the practice of infant baptism? Have we, in the Gospel a sett of rules to be modified at our convenience to suit the various tastes and conditions of mankind? If so, the Pope is the right man in the right place. If not, the practice of administering Church ordinances to persons without their own consent, stands opposed to the Gospel.

The fear of offending those who favor the practice we refer to, or any other not having the sanction of the Bible, should not be allowed to hinder us from a faithful declaration of God's truth. While we esteem it no part of our duty to offend our neighbors, we must be careful not to offend God by keeping back his word to

please men.

When an ambassador is sent from one court to another, is the delivery of the message given him left to his own option? Does he not hold himself accountable to the power by which he has been appointed to act? Will not that power punish any delinquency on the part of its servant? If therefore the safety of a State ambassador depends upon due attention to the restrictions laid upon him by an earthly power, may we not justly conclude that there is m safety for us outside the path of obedience to the will of him whose power sustains the vast universe, and before whose judgment seat all men must stand and give an account of their stewardship. If a yet we have not attained to a clear understanding of the Will of God concerning us here as christians, let us at once, by the study of the Bible and prayer, labor to get our minds right in this matter that pring co we may not run as uncertainly or fight as those who beat the air.

If in the discharge of our duty in the sight of God men are displeased with us, let us not be cast down. The world hated our pospered Master, and the more closely we resemble him the more determined will be its opposition to us. The approving smile of our Saviour leaves no room in our hearts to covet the friendship of the world a friendship as fickle as the shifting wind.—To-day it will heap it honors upon us, and to-morrow trample us under its feet in it rush to place the crown upon some new favorite. Not so the That is as lasting as eternity. It friendship of heaven. value remains to be known fully by the enjoyment of the Your C pleasures which are at the right hand of God for evermore by a r Lord's the faithful in Christ Jesus, when they enter the place prepared to the them by their exalted Head. Like faithful Abraham, who was mfort are called the friend of God, let us hold ourselves in readiness to obstacle the voice of the Almighty, speaking to us in his word that we may be sing secure for ourselves the rich rewards of grace to be bestowed at the ulging coming of Christ.

Le us therefore, as the Lord directs, have our loins girded about miselves and our lights burning, and be in waiting for our Lord, that when ing about

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### (A) REPORT ON BENEVOLENT FUNDS.

While your Committee are pleased to notice the increasing liberlity of our Churches, they are yet of opinion that a great deal of noney has been kept out of our treasury of benevolence by the beence of systematic giving on the part of many.

We believe that if the work is to go steadily on, the supplies mest be steady and uninterrupted, but how can this be if there is

oplan in the giving.

Again, if giving is a means of grace, it should, if necessity to as individuals, be uniform. Few things will cultivate such rametrical christian devolopement as the habit of giving generusly, and at stated intervals, God honors with gifts and graces hose who honor him with their substance. But, above all it is the e judgment sett Bibleplan, and no experiment of our own should be thought preferable. of the Will of four Committee would therefore suggest to the several Churches of its Association to do away with all human inventions and means this matter that are incorrectly the means placed in their hands, commit themselves encorrectly to our Heavenly Father's better plan: Upon the first world hated our to our Heavenly Father's better plan: Upon the first world hated our tospered him. (1 Cor. xvi. 2.)

Respectfully submitted.

W. E. HALL, Chairman of Com.

### (B) REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

oyment of the Your Committee beg leave to report that our strict observance of evermore by a Lord's Day is a duty binding upon all classes of society; and lace prepared to the cheerfully attended to, contributes largely to its temporal raham, who we infort and spiritual welfare. Yes, there is reason to fear that this readiness to obe by is too little regarded in many localities, and that even some yord that we may dessing christians lend their influence to its habitual neglect by s bestowed at the alging in loose and trifling conversation—the reading of light rature—the visiting of friends, and by habitually absenting pins girded about melves from religious service on the Lord's Day, thereby ren-Lord, that was ing abortive their profession, as well as the pastor's efforts to souls to Christ.

et all the members of our Churches hold this day sacred to the d; and employ themselves in the diligent and careful study of his d and in acts of worship and benevolence; gathering in such as are neglectful of spiritual privileges and bringing young and old in contact with Divinc truth; and speedily the Sabbath will be held in much higher esteem, and on the brow of many will be written, " Holiness unto the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,

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# REPORT ON MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions beg to Report that they regard with heartfelt gratitude to the God of Missions the marked success that has attended the operations of the N. S. B. H. M. Union during the past year. It will be seen by the Annual Report of the Union for the year just closed, that a vast amount of work has been done. More than three hundred persons have been baptised by the Missionaries. Much valuable denominational literature has been put in circulation; many feeble Churches have heen strengthened, and more than twenty-four years in the aggregate of missionary labor has been performed. Eternity only will reveal the full results. They would, however, recommend to the Board of the Union, a regards the Book Department, the desirableness of taking early steps to open, under the auspices of the Union, a Book Depositor in the City of Halifax, or some other central part of the Province to be placed under the management of a suitable brother with view to the more general prosecution of this important department of the work of the Union.

Your Committee are pleased to hear that a good degree of suc cess has attended the efforts of the board in the French Depart ment. The Missionary, Bro. Normandy, has rejoiced over conversion to God and accession to the Church during the year. with great pleasure that the Board of the Union are contemplating the appointment of an additional French Missionary, who shall give his strength to the French population of the Eastern sections of this Province. In the opinion of your Committee the efforts e' this Department should consist largely in Colportage, thus bringing the Gospel, by the circulation of the Scriptures and religious tracts, and by religious conversation and prayer, to the homes and hearts, this important part of our population. The present crisis in of French Missionary enterprise demands much wisdom, prayer an faith combined with enlarged benevolence.

By the decision of the Special Convention, recently held at Amhen our Foreign Missionaries and their work will be transferred to the Eastern shores of Hindostan. Your Committee trust that the decision is in accordance with evident indications of Divine Prof dence, and earnestly hope that our beloved brothers and siste now, probably, on their way to their new field, may find, in leading the benighted Teloogoos to Christ, a most congenial and success sphere of labor. He government in the anderes

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Your Committee suggest that in view of the need of large funds to carry forward these missions, the pastors and members of our Churches give their efforts to sustain the monthly concert of prayer for Foreign Missions, to increase the number and efficiency of Women's Mission Aid Societies, and to foster a missionary spirit in our They also recommend to the Churches of this Association in order to enable the Home Missionary Union duly to meet its obligations and carry forward its work, that as early at least as the second quarter of each year ending December 31st, funds be raised and forwarded to the Board, and that in order to facilitate this work, the Pastors be requested to place before their Churches, from time to time, the work and claims of the Union, to secure the appointment of collectors, the circulating of blanks or ands, or to adopt such other effective means as may be necessary to eccomplish this end.

Respectfully submitted,

ISA. WALLACE, Chairman.

## (D) REPORT ON QUESTIONS IN LETTERS.

The Committee on Questions in Letters report that three letters are been placed in their hands. First, a letter containing the pestion, Whether "it is compatible with Baptist principles to ithhold letters of dismission from members in good standing when bey have removed from the place, and have requested their letters o join other Baptist churches of like faith and order."

In the judgement of the Committee, to refuse to grant letters of smission in such cases as the one described is not in harmony ith the principles and usages of Baptist churches.

The second letter is from the brethren who now maintain worship Gerrish Street, Halifax, and who in their communication state at they have organized a church, and request admission into this secuation, a the Third Baptist Church of Halifax.

It appears from the letters sent to the Association, that a large mber of these persons are still members of the North church, alifax, not having been dismissed from that church for the purpose forming a separate organization; and that they profess to have med themselves into a distinct church, although, as they themres acknowledge, by taking irregular steps.

Your Committee have not deemed it necessary to take into consintion the various points of difference between the North Church the separating brethren, which, it may however be stated, are a very serious nature.—Inasmuch as it is not the custom of the ociation to receive churches which have not been formed in a ular and orderly manner, the Committee cannot recommend the nission of this church.

But your Committee express their earnest desire that measures may be adopted for the reconciliation of the North Church with the seceding members; and they trust that there will be a willingness on all sides to make such concessions or acknowledgments as may be justly required, so that brethren may walk together in unity and peace, and the interests of the Saviour's kingdom among us be saved from harm. When that reconciliation has taken place, which it is hoped will not now be long delayed, the way will be opened for the customary recognition of the new church, and its admission into this Association.

The third letter is from a church in Pleasantville, Lunenbur Co., containing a request for admission into this Association, and referring to the delegates and clerk of the Bridgewater Church for the facts concerning the formation of their body. It appears from the letter of the Bridgewater Church sent to this Association that the members residing in Pleasantville and vicinity were regularly dismissed to form a new church, and we learn from the brethren to whom reference was made, that the new church has been formally received into the fellowship of the neighboring Baptist Churche Therefore your Committee recommend that the church in Pleasant ville be admitted into this Association.

A. W. SAWYER, Chairman.

### (E) REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

Of the number who have been called home during the past ye

your Committee would make mention of three.

Rev. Benj. Vaughn was born in Chester in 1811. At the a of 17 he was baptized, and received into the Baptist Church in the place. Six years later he commenced preaching the Gospel, a with much satisfaction to his brethren. He was ordained at Wo ville in 1842. After his ordination he labored with the Sew Horton Church one year, and then settled with the Church Hantsport, where he remained nine years. His last settlement in Kempt, Hants County, where he gathered many sheaves for Master. In 1866 feeble health compelled him to resign his passo charge. His last illness, which was long and painful, was borne if marked resignation to the Divine Will, and his death, which occur on the 26th of last December, was peaceful and triumphant.

Brother Aaron Ross, of Margaree, Cape Breton, came to Hot Academy in November, 1873. He professed religion shortly at and united with the Wolfville Church. While in the Academy felt impressed that God had called him to the work of the Gos ministry, and after making this known to the Church of which was a member, received from them license to preach. He spone vacation in the employ of the H. M. Union at Melrose, while labors were much appreciated by the people and blessed of the state of the sta

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Deacon Wm. H. Webster, who was a member of the Second Comwallis Church, closed his earthly career on the 2nd of April ast. He was a pious, useful, and highly esteemed member of the Church, and a respected and influential member of the community. Respectfully submitted,

D. M. WELTON, Chairman.

# REPORT ON EDUCATION.

As the members of this Association are already familiar with the ducational affairs of the denomination, it will not be necessary to ake any extended reference to them in this report.

Your Committee would express continued sympathy with the seem of Public Schools in the Province, and call attention to the nwing evidence that these schools are an important instrumentality r the enlightenment and prosperity of the people, and therefore ould receive the cordial support of all good citizens.

The Academy at Horton has passed through a year of unusual resperity. The number of students has been largely in excess of my previous years. The school appears to be managed with th efficiency and carefulness as should commend it to the patronage a discriminating public. The want of suitable rooms and sufficiaccommodations for boarding has been a great hindrance to cess. But the new and large boarding-house will probably be upleted in a few weeks, and a much greater number of students then be received. The future of the Academy is encouraging. The increase in the Academy will at once favorably affect the endance in the College, and in this way promote a larger measure usefulness. The conviction seems to be extending that the lege must be sustained. The present year will be marked by ere trial from financial difficulties produced by various causes, it is hoped that these will be of short continuance, and that atever funds may be needed will be provided.

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### (H) REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your Committee desire to keep, constantly, well defined and maintently in view, the grand aims of the Sunday School. These renothing less than the conversion and sanctification of the scholars; bjects to which the most thorough organization and systematic eligious instruction, matters of very great importance in themselves,

nust ever be kept subsidiary.

Your Committee believe that the spiritual prosperity of our Churches ery largely depend upon our having a right apprehension of the ose relation which the Sabbath School sustains to them. We best that the Sabbath School should be considered a part of the burch in the same sense as its meetings for social religious worth, to be supported and sustained in the same way as the Pastor, devery regular department of church work; and that every memor of our Churches should have a place in the Sunday School her as teacher or scholar.

We feel that the importance of a careful study of the word of God quies no advocacy from your committee, for all feel that our ength and progress as Christians depend wholly upon our possess; a thorough intelligent knowledge of the Bible. Yet, much leand valuable teaching power is frittered away in many of our aday Schools for lack of system. Your Committee believe that horough comprehensive knowledge of God's word can only be need by a well arranged system of uniform lessons, and they know no better system than that known as the "International Series" Bible Lessons, already in use in nearly all our best schools, which your Committee heartily recommend.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN D. KING, Chairman.

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### CONSTITUTION

OF THE

# Yova Scotia Central Baptist Association.

ARTICLE 1st.—This Association shall consist of Delegates representing the Churches of which it is composed, each of whom shall be a member one of those Churches, together with Delegates from Corresponding Associations, not exceeding five from any one Association, and such other brethman present as the Association may see fit to invite to sit in Council.

ART. 2nd.—This Association shall meet at such time and place as may agreed upon by the body.

ABT. 3rd—Each Church shall have the privilege of sending one Delega or more, but no Church shall be entitled to send more than five in addita to their Pastor.

ART. 4th.—At each meeting of the Association the Moderator of the meeding year shall preside till his successor is chosen. The choice of Moderator shall take place by ballot, as soon as a list of Delegates has been preparas hereinafter provided. No brother shall be chosen Moderator two years succession. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to preside in all the mactions, maintain due order, and nominate Committees, unless otherwordered by the Association. A Secretary shall be chosen, whose duty it is be to record the transactions of the Association, and to furnish a corrector of the same for the press; he is also to remain in office till his successor chosen.

ART. 5th.—It shall be the duty of each Church to send by its messeng a letter to the Association giving an account of its state, particularly of additions and diminutions within the last year, and generally of whatsomelates to its peace and prosperity.

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ART. 6th.—At each annual Meeting the letters from the Churches shall first handed in, from which the Secretary shall immediately make out at of Delegates. The election of Moderator and Secretaryshall then take pla after which the letters shall be read. Committees nominated by the Modershall not consist of more than five brethren, of whom three shall consist a quorum. When large committees are judged desirable they shall appointed by the Association, and two-thirds of the members appointed be competent to act.

ART. 7th.—When any Church shall desire admittance into this body, plication must be made by letter, and satisfactory evidence furnished of faith and order; this being done and a vote of acceptance taken, the Most tor shall, in the behalf of the Association, give to one of its messengers pretter in the right-hand of fellowship.

ART. 8th.—When any Church shall neglect to make communication three years successively it shall be considered as having withdrawn from and shall be dropped from the Minutes, unless two or more members a request its continuance and shall engage to enquire into its standing, report at the next meeting of the Association.

ART. 9th—Although as an Association all power over the Church disclaimed, so far as respects any interference with their independent discipline; yet it is deemed a privilege belonging to the Association to for itself of the propriety of receiving or retaining any Church is connexion.

ART. 10th.—The religious sentiments of this body are those expressed in the "Articles of the Faith and Practice of the Baptist Churches in Nova Scotia."

ART. 11th.—That the Moderator be authorized at any time during the year, to call a special meeting the Association in pursuance of a requisition signed by ten members thereof.

ART. 12th.—Alterations and amendments may be made to this Constitution by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any of its regular meetings.

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### RULES OF ORDER.

Rule 1st.—At every sitting, business shall be opened and closed with rayer; and immediately after the opening, the Minutes of the preceding neeting shall be read and corrected.

Rule 2nd.—No member of the Association shall leave the Session before he business is concluded, without permission of the Association.

Rule 3rd.—No subject shall be discussed without a motion first made and seeded.

RULE 4th.—No person shall speak oftener than twice on the same subect, mless by permission of the body.

Rule 5th.—Brethren invited to a seat with us may speak on all subjects her consideration, but vote on none.

RULE 6th.—All resolutions shall be presented in writing.

Rule 7th.—Motions made and lost shall not be recorded on the Minutes, kept so ordered at the time.

RULE 8th.—These rules shall be distinctly read from the Chair at the bening of the Session.

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### CONSTITUTION

OF THE

### NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

- 1. The Consolidation of our Home Missionary organizations, both English and French, would, in the estimation of this Convention. tend to the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom in this Province;—the French Mission to be considered a separate Department, and all gifts, bequests, &c., made to the French Mission to go to that Department.
- 2. This Convention shall be called the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union.
- 3. The object of this Union shall be to promote the spread of the gospel throughout the Provinces of Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, and the Island of Newfoundland, the fostering of feeble Churches, the planting of new ones, and the dissemination of denominational literature.
- 4. This Union shall be composed of ordained Baptist ministers in good standing with their respective churches in the Province, and delegates appointed by the Churches, each Church in good standing with its respective Association sending not more than three delegates; together with the President of Acadia College, the Principal of the Theological Institute, and the Principal of Horton Academy, the same being members of Baptist Churches in good standing.
- 5. The officers of the Union shall be a President, who shall be elected annually by ballot; four Vice-Presidents, one from each Association, two Secretaries and an Auditor, all of whom shall be appointed by open vote.
- 6. The Union shall annually appoint and locate an Executive Board of thirteen suitable men, seven of whom shall form a quorum; and every Baptist Pastor in the Province shall have the privilege of meeting with the Board, and taking part in its deliberations, but not voting; he officers of the Society named above to be ex-officio members of he Board.
- 7. The duty of this Board shall be to conduct the Missionary work fthe Union, and report yearly to the same, or oftener if required.
- 8. There shall be an Annual Meeting of the Union held in each of he Nova Scotia Baptist Associations, in turn, to assemble the day revious to the meeting of the Association with which it is held, at 10 folcek, a.m.
- 9. This Union shall appoint annually a Board of Directors to consist feight from each Association composing the Union, whose duty it sall be to give advice to the Executive Board in cases of emergency, and by the written requisition of eight or more of whom, the President sall call a special meeting of the Union.
- 10. No alteration of this Constitution shall be made unless by a twoird affirmative vote of the members present at an annual meeting.

### MINUTES

OF THE

### NOVA SCOTIA BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY UNION.

HALIFAX, Friday Morning, June 25th, 1875.

The Third Annual Meeting of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Missionary Union, convened in the Granville Street Baptist Meeting house, Halifax June 25th at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The President, J. M. Cramp, D. D., in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. I. J. Skinner.

The Secretaries, Rev. M. P. Freeman and Rev. A. Cohoon, were instructed to prepare the List of Delegates, which appeared as follows:

LIST OF DELEGATES.

2nd. Cornwallis-Rev. I. Wallace, Dea. John Lyon, Edward Parker and E. B. Bolsor.

Granville St.—Dea. L. S. Paysant, Hon. Dr. Parker and A. L. Wood. Lower Stewiacke—Rev. J. Meadows, Dea. E. C. Bai.ks.

Hantsport—Rev. J. C. Bleakney, Dea. Harris Reid, William Porter and Rev. R. R. Philp.

2nd. Horton-Rev. E. O. Read, Bro. A. Caldwell.

Hebron-Rev. R. D. Burgess.

Tancook-Rev. T. C. DeLong.

Chester-Rev. I. J. Skinner.

Beaver River-Rev. J. D. Skinner. Man As Apple 1 19 and Asset Land

8rd. Cornwallis—Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, James Bligh and Isaac N. Foot.

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Margaret's Bay-Rev. W. E. Hall.

Summerside, P. E. I,-Rev. J. Murray.

Newport—Rev. A. E. Ingram, Dea. Noah Dimock and Bro. Joseph Waler Bridgetown—Rev. J. Clark.

Onslow West and East-Rev. S. March.

1st. Cornwallis Wm. Eaton, Joshua Eaton, Lic., and Benj. Eaton.

Acadia College—Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D. D.

1st Horton—Rev. S. W. DeBlois, Prof. D. F. Higgings and Dea. J. Barss.

Kentville—Bro. A. J. Stevens, Lic., B. H. Illely, T. Griffin and J. Daniel Canning—Rev.S. J. Neiley.

Upper Aylesford-Rev. J. L. Read.

4th Cornwallis-Rev. J. L. Read.

Great Village-Rev. M. P. Freeman.

Argyle-Rev. W. B. Bradshaw.

North West-Rev. Jno. Willams and H. E. S. Mader.

Temple Church, Yarmouth—Rev. W. H. Warren and W. A. C. Raph M. D.

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Members in their own right—Rev. D. A. Stoele, Rev. J. W. Bancroft, Rev. L. M. Weeks, Rev. J. F. Avery, Rev. Prof. D. M. Welton, Rev. E. M. Saunders, Rev. D. Freeman and R. N. Beckwith.

The following brethren were invited to a seat with the Union: The Hon-Judge McCully, Caleb Spidle, Lic., J. F. L. Parsons, Deacons S. Selden, Alex. Robinson, J. W. Rhuland, A. W. Clark, H. N. Paint, J. B. Woodland, E. D. King, W. L. Prince, J. Burgoyne, B. H. Eaton, Francis Layton, and R. M. King; and James White of New Brunswick.

The President then called for the Third Annual Report of the Board of the Union, which, in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary, was read by the Recording Secretary, Bro. W. A. C. Randall, M. D.

Bro. Randall also presented the Report of the Treasurer of the Board, P. D. Kinney, Esq.

Resolved, That the Morning Session close at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 12 o'clock, that the Afternoon Session open at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 2 o'clock and close at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 5, and that the Evening Session commence at  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 7.

On motion of Bro. J. F. L. Parsons seconded by Prof. Welton, the Report of the Board was then taken up to be discussed clause by clause.

The first sections passed unanimously after remarks by various bethren; and after the reading of the third clause the Session djourned with prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.

#### FRIDAY-Afternoon Session,

The Afternoon Session opened with prayer by Rev. Jno. Miller. The third clause of the Report was again read and after having sen discussed by brethren J. W. Barss, I. Wallace, D. A. Steele, W. DeBlois, Dr. A. W. Sawyer, J. Neiley, D. Freeman, Dr. Parker, E. M. Saunders, R. R. Philp, J. W. Bancroft, Prof. Welton, W. H. Warren, with some modification, passed.

The time having arrived for adjournment the Session closed with rayer by Rev. D. W. C. Dimock.

### FRIDAY-Evening Session.

The Union resumed business. Vice President, Rev. Prof. Welton the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. E. M. Saunders. On motion by Bro. J. W. Barss, seconded by Hon. Dr. McN. arker it was resolved to instruct the Board to assume, for the esent, the salary of the Theological Professor at Acadia College. Rev. I. Wallace moved and Rev. S. W. DeBlois seconded the lowing:

Resolved, That in view of the necessity of increasing the staff of Theologi-Department in Acadia College, this Union appoint a Committee to bring necessity before the Baptist denomination in New Brunswick, with the pethat our brethren of that Province may feel disposed to establish an itional Professorship, in that department, and thus increasing the bonds Union between the two sister Provinces, as well as affording greater lities for Theological training in that Institution.

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25th, 1875.

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The fourth clause was next read and passed.

The fifth clause, after remarks by J. W. Barss, W. H. Warren, J. F. L. Parsons, W. E. Hall, H. N. Paint, Wm. Cummings, M. P. Freeman, J. Meadows, Dr. McN. Parker and Dr. Sawyer. Passed

The sixth clause was next read and after remarks by Brother

Jos. Murray was with a slight alteration, adopted.

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The last clause was then read. Moved that further consideration

of this clause be deferred to the next session.

Moved that Brethren J. W. Barss, W. Cummings and R. N. Beckwith, be a committee to examine and analyse the Treasured account to be presented at the adjourned meeting to be held to-morrow evening.

Resolved, That Brethren D. M. Welton and Isa. Wallace be the committee confer with the brethren in New Brunswick, with reference to the Theoretical Department in Acadia College.

Resolved, That the Board of this Union be located for the coming year,

Resolved, That the Board of this Union be as follows: A. C. Robbins, C. Anderson, W. A. C. Randal, M. D., J. H. Haley, P. D. Kinney, W. Doty, G. E. Day, W. H. Warren, J. A. Stubbert, J. Rowe, P. Gallaher, D. Burgess, and P. F. Murray.

Resolved, That the Board have authority to fill any vacancy that may on during the year.

Resolved, That Rev. J. M. Cramp be President of this Union during a

Moved that the Constitution be altered so as to read one Va President for each of the Associations composing this Union.

Resolved, That Brethren J. F. Murray, E. M. Saunders, D. A. Steele W. G. Parker be Vice-Presidents during the coming year.

Resolved, That the present Secretaries—Revds. M. P. Freeman and Coroon, of this Union be re-appointed.

Resolved, That Brethren J. W. Manning, J. C. Bleakeny, D. W. C. Dima J. W. Barss, S. B. Kempton, E. O. Read and Judge McCully be Direct for the Central Association, and for the Western Association, Brethren Edw Whitman, J. A. Durkee, G. D. Cox, G. N. Ballentine, J. M. Parker, Tupper, John Clark and B. H. Parker, and for the Eastern Association Buren T. M. King, Nelson Dobson, Moses Lowe, W. Cummings, J. R. McAmos Atkinson, A. W. McDonald, and Rev. D. McKeen.

Resolved, That the Constitution be so amended as to add eight Directon P. E. Island—Geo. McNeil, J. C. Colhoun, Jas. DesBrisay, Geo. Dat Alex. Scott, Artemas P. Coper, Malcolm Ross and Ebenezer Lidstone.

Resolved, That Bro. J. W. Barss be the Auditor of this Union for the ing year.

Moved that this Union do adjourn to meet in this place to-money evening at \( \frac{1}{2} \) past 7 o'clock.

### SATURDAY-Evening Session.

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The Union resumed business. President in the chair. Prayer was offered by Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D.D. Minutes of riday evening session read and approved. Brother . W. Barss, on behalf of the Committee appointed on

riday evening, reported as follows :-

Your Committee to whom were referred the Accounts of the reasurer of the Baptist Missionary Union report:

That whilst presuming upon the correctness of the payments and ceipts as stated in the account, yet they consider the items extended much in detail and too much unclassified to be easily understood. ey have therefore endeavoured to condense and arrange the payats and receipts under different heads, so far as they could do so thout the aid and assistance of the treasurer, who, had he been sent, would have aided in the placing of items under their per heads, of which they were doubtful. But we recommend in are that the Board condense their account for publication, and ange the payments and receipts for the various services of the rd under suitable heads.

Especially would we recommend that the Book and Tract departnt be separated from the other account, so that a knowledge of financial state may be readily apprehended. And to do this they gest that an inventory of the stock on hand at the date of this unt be taken, to make a starting point for future operations.

hey regret that they had no method of arriving at the true of the Board's financial standing, as no statement is made of btdness to Missionaries, Agents, or Publishers. This they will be avoided in future.

hey recommend that the Financial year of the Board close on ast day of May in each year hereafter, and that no receipts or nents be entered on the accounts after that date. And in subng their accounts they would suggest that so far as possible all mounts due for missionary labor or otherwise be stated; and that an approximate estimate be made of the probable amount will be required to carry o nthe work of the board efficiently for stern Association has will be required to carr ummings, J. R. Es car to be entered upon.

All which is respectfully submitted,

J. W. BARSS, Chairman.

motion of the Hon. D. McN. Parker, seconded by Rev. D. W. C. ck, the report was adopted, and the abridgment of Treasurer's t, ordered to be printed in the Minutes instead of the full

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Rev. I. Wallace, on behalf of the Committee appointed to confewith the New Brunswick brethren, reported that the brethren that did not feel disposed to Union.

On its being stated that a change had taken place in the feeling of these Brethren, it was resolved to re-appoint the committee last year for the same work. Names of committee as follows: ReG. E. Day, Isa Wallace, J. M. Cramp, D.D., Rev. David Freem On motion of the Rev. A. Cohoon, seconded by J. W. Barss, E.

Resolved, that the Board be directed to have the reports of the Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer for next year, printed, so that copies of the may be placed in the hands of the members of the Union at its Ann Meeting.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Union are due and hereby presented in Board for their efficient and gratuitous services during the past year.

Adjourned to meet at Yarmouth the day before the Am Session of the N. S. Western Association.

Prayer by Rev. T. C. Delong.

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# THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

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# A. S. Baptist Kome Missionary Union.

The Executive Board of the Nova Scotia Baptist Home Mission-ry Union beg to present their third Annual Report. At their first ession after the Anniversary of the Union, the Board elected the officers of last year. They were soon, however, compelled to lose the valuable services of their Treasurer, Samuel Brown, Esq., whose eble health rendered his resignation imperative. The Board were accessful in soon finding a suitable successor in the person of P. D. Inney, Esq., who had been one of their Auditors. The removal Revds. J. H. Sanders and P. R. Foster to other fields of labor was that to be a severe loss to the Board. These brethren had been muected with the Union in its incipient state, and had worked boriously and efficiently as members of its executive. Their aces, however, were soon taken by other men, good and true.

General Agency. - As your Board were pushing on their work as pidly as possible, they were surprised and sorry to learn that their eneral Agent intended very soon to resign his position. As they d not expected such an event, they had not provided for the ntingency. The work of a General Agent seemed to the Board to wimportant at this early stage in the history of the Union that they th much regret were forced to accept Bro. Wallace's resignation. t they could not attach any blame to him, inasmuch as he felt at domestic duties rendered such a course on his part absolutely cessary. The Board immediately endeavored to secure the rvices of a General Agent but were unsuccessful in their efforts til the first of January last, when Rev. D. Freeman, A. M., sented to undertake the work. As the field supplied by their ssionaries during the past Summer did not yield the returns which e Board anticipated, they felt the urgent necessity of making a ect appeal to the churches for financial aid. The General Agent s therefore instructed to make the collecting of funds a prime ject with him in his work. During the Winter and Spring the ent visited the counties of Annapolis, Kings, Hants, and Halifax. presented the claims of the Union fai hfully and met with siderable success. Your Board, however, regret to say in this nection, that very few seemed to feel the question coming home them with power, "How much owest thou my Lord?" After Freeman had closed his labors in the counties named above he sed into Cumberland, thence to Colchester. There he did a very tellent work in exploring destitute fields, and assisting some of pastors in holding extra religious services. As the churches re beginning to gather funds for the Association, he thought it

not wise to prosecute the work of collecting for the Board. The information concerning the Union and its work which he presented so intelligently to the churches, and their duty in the matter of benevolence which he so forcibly exhibited, must in due time produce beneficial results.

Theological Professorship.—At the last Annual Meeting of the Union, the Executive Board were instructed to surpervise the collecting of a thousand dollars per Annum to pay the salary of Theological Professor in Acadia College. Your Board requests their General Agent to solicit subscriptions for that object. H entered upon this work so energetically and succeeded so well getting pledges that your Board were confident that the amount needed could be quite easily raised. At the time of the Convention held in Portland, St. John, Rev. D. M. Welton, A. M., w unanimously elected to fill the new Theological Chair in Acad Your Board heartily concurred in the appointment Professor Welton has been doing good work for the Denomination his new sphere of labor, as the following extract from his report w show. He says:-"The work which I have performed under you auspices during the past year has been divided between the Colle proper and the Theological Department. In the former, Rheton Elocution and the Monthly Essays written by the Freshman Sophomore Classes, were assigned to 'me." \* \* "Duri the last term I have instructed a portion of the Senior Class German. In the latter, i. e., in the Theological Department, have given one lecture a week in Homiletics, dividing the time equally between instruction on the preparation and delivery sermons and the criticism of plans of sermons prepared by students.

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About thirty young men, members of the College and Academ have more or less regularly attended these lectures, and, if I may

allowed to say so, have manifestly profited from them.

As it is not deemed advisable to blend the study of Theoloproper with the regular College course, only partial course stude have been left to engage in this. Of these the number has be somewhat small—the class consisting of Messrs. Goudey, Par Carbonell, Spencer, and one young lady,—Miss Masters.

Three lectures a week have been given, and three of the prind divisions in a systematic course have been gone over, name Bibliology, Theology, and Anthropology." \* " I should be another term to be able also to give some instruction in Church Hist and Pastoral Duties to those requiring them." \* " If Baptist brethren in New Brunswick would endow a Theolog Chair, and the present instructors in theology were relieved if assisting in the Arts course, something very respectable might done, and we might hope to arrest the annual exodus of our you men to Newton."

Your Board deeply regret that the funds necessary to meet claims upon them from this department of the Union have he Board. The ich he presente in the matter of due time produc

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con received. The causes are evident. The failure of parties pay their subscriptions, the erection of Academy buildings at Wolfville, and the unusual financial pressure, are among the umber. But your Board are not discouraged with reference to is matter. They regard the work of Professor Welton as among most important branches of enterprise in which the Union is ngaged. If our ministerial students are to be retained in our own nvinces it will be done mainly by giving them a good Theological mining at home. The influence of the Theological Professor for med will soon be felt by the churches through the labors of our inisterial students. Your Board therefore regard any disturbance this department of the Union a very long step in the wrong rection.

French Department.-Your Board are pleased to report that a od deal of work has been done in this department, and some mess has been apparent. The Missionary has been toiling on, metimes almost discouraged, then again cheered with good tidings. is work has evidently been blessed. Copies of the Holy Scriptures en away years ago have been brought to him with the request the would explain the doctrines they teach. The truth is reading gradually, slowly, but certainly, and success is sure to me. The hand of persecution was raised against the Missionary the converts to the truth, but this opposition turned out rather the furtherance of the Gospel. Several of those that joined in work have been brought to acknowledge the truth as it is in us, and some of them have died in the faith, blessing God for the each Mission and its Missionary. Others of the number are etly helping on the work of the Lord.

The little meeting house at St. Mary's Bay, commenced last year the accommodation of the French and English families residing hat locality, has been carried towards completion. It has already opened for divine service. When completed it will be a great renience and blessing to the inhabitants of that place. The number has be not Mission premises at Tusket and Saulnierville are kept in a Goudey, Pan are house is rented; the other is occupied by our ach Missionary.

our Board believe that a mission should soon be established og the French population in the Eastern part of this Province. just as soon as sufficient funds can be obtained for the purpose, would recommend that the work be commenced there.

ook Department.—Your Board still feel the importance of having dow a Theolog re Baptist literature circulated extensively in this Province. regret that many of our churches do not seem to be alive pectable might his matter. They are pained to learn that a large number kodus of our pour Sabbath schools are still chiefly supplied with books pubby Pædo-Baptist and so-called Union Societies. Many of books teach unmistakably Pædo-Baptist doctrines. Possessing Union have e do so rich a literature, the foregoing fact is to be deeply red. If our children are to be taught the truth, as we believe

it, we should place that truth before them in the libraries of our Sabbath Schools, which to the libraries of our

Your Board are enabled to report that they have done a large amount of work in the book department during the year. More than five thousand volumes of sterling literature have been put in circulation. Cramp's Baptist History, Carson on Baptism, Spurgeon's Sermons, Bunyan's Pilgrim, The life of Judson, Theodocia Ernest, Mary Bunyan, Grace Trueman, Infidel's Daughter, and works like these have been placed in many hands. Essays of Baptism and Close-Communion, in pamphlet form, and tract teaching our denominational views have been circulated, not only by the hundred but by the thousand. Other religious tracts in English, German, French, Swedish and Norwegian have been

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Your Board were called on to accept the resignation of J. Albert Walker, Esq., on the first of December last. He had been commission nearly seven months. Although he did not meet will as much financial success as the Board anticipated, yet they believe he did a good work. The books sold and given away by him wer of superior quality. Their teaching will be felt, its effects will ut doubtedly be seen before many days. Bro. Walker visited more than five hundred families, with many of whom the Scriptures wer read and prayer was offered. He likewise distributed more that two thousand pages of tracts. Although your Board believe the department to be of very great importance they did not think advisable to use their funds to any large extent in carrying it They believe it will be nearly self-sustaining. They did not then fore appoint a successor to Mr. Walker. Gardner Tufts, Es still continues to traverse the counties of Digby, Annapolis a Kings. He labors energetically, and his efforts to circulate extension sively a pure Baptist literature are being crowned with consideral success. Your Board cannot but express the belief that if t Baptists of Nova Scotia saw clearly their duty in regard to place denominational teaching before their children in the Sabbath Scho and in the family circle, a great work would be done for the tru by the book department.

Enlarged sphere of operations.—The last anniversary of the Unadded P. E. Island and Newfoundland to our Home Mission for As P. E. Island seemed to be a very juviting sphere for missions operations, your Board decided to occupy it at once. They accordingly appointed Rev. D. McDonald as General Missionary for eastern part of the Island. He has been laboring at St. Peter East Point, Souris, Dunlas, Grand River, Georgetown, Montagu Bridge. In several of these places he met with the missional success. No less than one hundred and thirty-nine has been baptized by him and added to the Church since the first August last. Brother McDonald aids the Board very materially giving information and advices. Rev. T. A. Kidson, a most seesaful missionary, was appointed to the western part of the Island.

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Rev. J. I. DeWolf was stationed at Higg, Alexandra, and Belfast. Brother C. C. Burgess was appointed to Cavendish and vicinity. Several other brethren have gone to the Island to spend there their number vacation; hence that important field is for the present hirly supplied.

Your Board intended to establish, during the year, a mission in They failed, however, until very L John's, Newfoundland. cently, to obtain a suitable person to explore the field. They gely express the belief in regard to this matter that their sucssors should undertake mission work in Newfoundland as early as acticable.

Important points held.—Your Board are pleased to report that nch success has attended the efforts of their missionaries at very aportant points. Annapolis, the former capital of the Province, a had, until very recently, neither Baptist Church nor Baptist eaching. During the past year a beautiful house has been opened divine worship. Large congregations have been gathered by eable pulpit ministrations and faithful pastoral efforts of Rev. A. Higgins. The Sabbath School is also large and flourishing. riew of what has been accomplished in this field on so short a ne, your Board thankfully exclaim, "What has God wrought"! Ission work has likewise been very successful at Shelburne. This town, where the ancestors of many of us found their first home in Board believe the bra Scotia, your Board considered too important to be neglected.

y did not think by determined to hold it. Success has attended their efforts, and y soon the cause there will be self-sustaining. Cow Bay has been plied during the year with superior ministerial labor. Guy Manchester were occupied by one of our best workers. y, Annapolis at sence of regular pastoral labor from those churches for several to circulate exist as left them sadly unproductive. They are now in fair working left that if the treatment of the failure of brethren appointed there to occupy the a regard to place the failure of brethren appointed there to occupy the house of the supplied with suitable ministerial later.

Efforts to retain Ministers .- The Board felt the importance of gall the means in their power to retain in these Provinces our ng ministers. They therefore wrote to Newton Theol. Instituome Mission to induce our young men there to return. Se ral complied ere for mission to the Board's request and are now at work in their various s of labor. The Ministerial Students in Acadia College and Missionary for ton Academy, with scarcely an exception, have been aping at St. Peter ted to mission stations or introduced to pastorless churches. Georgetown Board wished in this way to assist the churches and encourage net with the brethren. The following is a live of the churches and encourage s of labor.

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SUMMARY.—It will appear from the foregoing list that 80 missionaries and agents been in commission during the year, 20 of whom have been re-appointed. Together they have travelled 45,867 miles; preached 3180 semmons; attended 2506 other meetings; mad 16,140 family visits; distributed 59,252 pages of tracts, 24,292 pages of books; received it subscriptions to the "Christian Messenger"; baptized 362; built or carried to completion? meeting houses; organized 1 church, and 5 Sabbati. Schools; established 3 Woman's Mission Aid Societies, and performed 1264 weeks' service, equal to 24½ years. Collected on the feld \$4750.83.

In addition to the appointments which the Board have made, they introduced Rev. A. E. Ingram, of Mahone Bay, to the Church at Newport, and Rev. Edward Roberts, of England, to the Bridge water Church. They are glad to learn that Pastors and Churches

are pleased with each other.

In conclusion, your Board wish to record their heartfelt thanks to Almighty God for His great goodness to them, their agents and missionaries, during the past year. Their lives have been precious in His sight. Only two-and these young men were ailing when first employed by the Board-have passed away since our last annual meeting. These brethren-Aaron Ross and Joseph H. Pipes—were cut off in early years, but they did their work and have gone to their reward. Another cause for gratitude is found in the fact that although there has been an unusual stringency in monetary matters, more than Ten Thousand Dollars have been in the treasury of the Union since the anniversary of last year. Board remember that this sum is nearly Four Thousand Dollars more than was received the year previous, and more than three times the amount raised in any one year by the three Home Mission Societies when separate, they would devoutly say, "Hithern the Lord has helped us."

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In reference to the future, your Board regard the outlook a very hopeful. The commercial horizon is dark, it is true, bu clouds will not always obscure the sky. With a prospect before the Union of doing so much for the Master, your Board cannot suggest the idea of retrenchment. Other religious societies as being equipped more completely for Home Mission work. Woomnot afford to be behind them. Fires which our fathers kindle in desolate places can we suffer to be extinguished or to be fed by other hands? Gardens which they began to plant, can we allow lie waste or to be tilled by others because they are more faithful the we? Let us rather with prayer and faith go up and possess the land. And soon the field will be clothed in beauty and the hard

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Executive Board, G. E. DAY, Cor. Secretary,

Yarmouth, N. S., June 23rd, 1875.

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	23. Theological Chair from unappropriated funds	200
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- 66	A. H. Lavers, Lic., "Clyde River, etc	- 34
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46	Rev. D. Freeman, agent	46
64	Books sold by Rev. Dr. Day, \$11 40; Apl. 26, Beaver River Ch, \$11 83	01
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y 7.	Books sold, Argyle Church \$20,do 66 cts	20
25.	" Temple Church, \$18 00; May 27, do Arcadia Ch. \$17 78	35
ne 6.	Lockport Church, donation, \$100; Beaver River Church, do. \$15	118
66	Rev. J. R. McQuillan, Mission, Barney's River.	
66	Wm. E. Hall, "Musquodoboit	13
	Onslow Church, East	50
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66	Kempt Church, Queens County, for books	13
44	A. H. Lavers	4
44	"Cash." \$12; M. Normandy, for books,	19
64	Rev. D. Freeman, agent	66
66	B. Beckwith, Canning, \$2; June 12, Deerfield S. School, for books \$4	225
14.	Forest Glen Church. for books, \$1 60; do do for Contribution, \$10	11
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46	Gardner Tufts, for books sold	36
22.	Books sold by Dr. Day	2
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66	M. Itland S. School for books, \$6.75; A. H. Lavers, \$1.40	8
64	Milton S. School for books, \$16; Books sold by J. A. Walker, \$244 50	260
66	St. Peters, Dundas, &c., P. E. Island per D. McDonald	365
66	P. E. Island treasury, \$100; Rev. F. A. Kidson, collections, \$28 55	128
66	New Tusket Ch., \$3 60; St. Anna Ch., C. B., per D. McLeod, \$5 25	8
"	Isaacs Harbor, New Harbor, Country Hr., Seal and Coddle Harbors	255
**	Rev. L. M. Weeks, Donation	10
66	Uigg, Alexandra and Belfast, per J. I. De Wolf	103
144	Tracadie Church per C. I. Graves	19
66	Shelburne, Jordan Bay and Jordan River, per E. N. Archibald	500
**	Books sold by G. Tufts	576
66	"Young Friend," per Miss Almira Crosby	21
66	New Ross and Blue Mountains Church, per C. Norwood	781
66	J. P. Beel, bal. collected, Guysboro and Manchester	1720
66	1st Yarmouth Church. \$159 60; Temple Church, \$146	305 (
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